

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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E: MUR 5057 (Dear for Congress)

Dear Mr. Elias:

On May 1, 2003, the Federal Election Commission found that there is probable cause to believe that your clients, Dear for Congress and Abraham Roth, treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441f; 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.9(a); 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.2(d); 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a); 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(4)(F) and 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(8); and 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A). These are statutory and regulatory provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and Title 11 of the Code of Federal Regulations, respectively. The violations involved accepting contributions in the name of another, accepting excessive contributions and prohibited contributions, failing to file timely disclosure reports, improperly reporting refunds and failing to report debts, and failing to file 48-hour notices or filing untimely 48-hour notices.

The Commission has a duty to attempt to correct such violations for a period of at least 30 days and no more than 90 days by informal methods of conference, conciliation, and persuasion, and by entering into a conciliation agreement with a respondent. If we are unable to reach an agreement after 30 days, the Commission may institute a civil suit in United States District Court and seek payment of a civil penalty.

Enclosed is a conciliation agreement that the Commission has approved in settlement of this matter. If you agree with the provisions of the enclosed agreement, please sign and return it, along with the civil penalty, to the Commission within ten days. I will then recommend that the Commission accept the agreement. Please make the check for the civil penalty payable to the Federal Election Commission.

Marc E. Elias, Esq. Page 2

If you have any questions or suggestions for changes in the enclosed conciliation agreement, or if you wish to arrange a meeting in connection with a mutually satisfactory conciliation agreement, please contact Delbert K. Rigsby or Danita C. Lee, the attorneys assigned to this matter at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton General Counsel

Enclosure
Conciliation Agreement